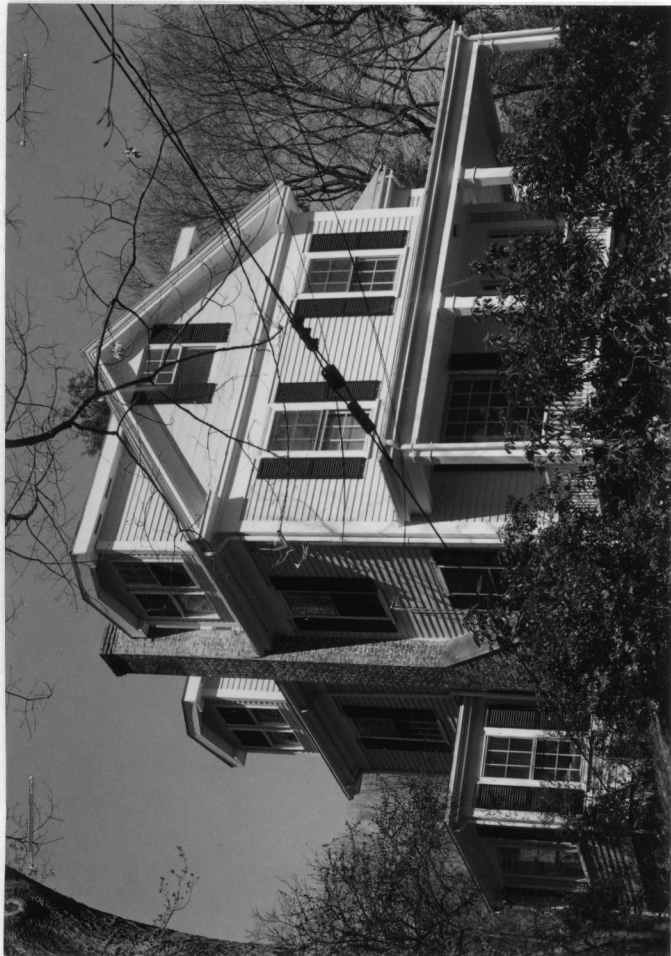


# FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125



Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

005000024A

Boston N.

684

Town Lexington

Place (neighborhood or village)

Address 41 Lincoln St.

Historic Name Simon W. Robinson House

Uses: Present Residential

Original Residential

Date of Construction 1866

Source Lexington Valuation lists

Style/Form Greek Revival

Architect/Builder

Exterior Material:

Foundation Brick

Wall/Trim Wood Clapboard, Flushboard

Roof Asphalt Shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures Attached garage

Major Alterations (with dates)

Enclosed sunporch; rear sunroom, connector, and attached garage (dates unknown)

Condition Good

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date

Acreage 1.8 A.

Setting On a rise above a fairly busy street with 19th- and 20th-century houses

Recorded by Nancy S. Seasholes

Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date (month / year) April 1998

Follow Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey Manual instructions for completing this form.

## BUILDING FORM

### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION ☐ see continuation sheet

*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

41 Lincoln St. is one of a number of well-preserved front-gabled Greek Revival houses in Lexington, though built at a later date than most. The house is rectangular with a side ell, 2½ stories, two-by-two bays, and front gabled with an exterior chimney on the south side and a small ridge chimney in the ell. The side-gabled ell is two stories and one-by-one bays. The house is set on a brick foundation, clad with wood clapboards, and roofed with asphalt shingles. On the south elevation is a flat-roofed enclosed porch on a concrete foundation; at the rear is a gabled sunroom and a one-story connector attached to a front-gabled two-car garage. Greek Revival finishes include flushboard siding in the gable of the main block and of the ell, a frieze board around the entire house, and half-length sidelights flanking the entry. There are two gabled dormers on either slope of the roof and a wraparound porch with square pilastered chamfered posts.

### HISTORICAL NARRATIVE ☐ see continuation sheet

*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

Lexington assessors' records indicate that this house was built in 1866 by Simon W. Robinson (1792–1868), who had actually bought the land on which it stands in 1850 but, having a house of his own on Concord Hill, i.e., on Massachusetts Ave. west of Lincoln St., did not build on this lot for many years. When he finally did erect a house it was apparently as a speculative venture, for he soon sold the house and lot in 1868. It was purchased by the McCaffreys, who owned it for the rest of the 19th century.

### BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES ☐ see continuation sheet

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☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*